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In re Application of: Holm et al.

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For: RECOMBINANT PROTEIN VARIANTS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reference to the above-reference application, please consider the following Preliminary Amendment and accompanying remarks. Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper. Submitted simultaneously herewith is (i) paper copy of the Sequence Listing and CRF of the sequence listing (1 diskette) and (ii) Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) stating that the Sequence Listing and the content of the computer readable form of the Sequence Listing on the enclosed diskette are identical.